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25X1A 1. On 24 August 1950 the Luftnachrichtenschule, Bernau (53/Z 96), quartered only a rear unit of 30 to 100 soldiers. Twenty windows in the main building, and two or three windows in each of the other two buildings were lighted in the evening (1).

2. Soviet officers and EM wearing red-bordered black epalets were quartered in about 30 small houses in the restricted area on Karl Marx Strasse. (2)

3. According to komendatura personnel, the pigeon station consisted of eight temporary barracks, including three EM quarters, a mess hall, a kitchen building and storage sheds. Gate guards wore black-bordered red epalets. (3)

4. Passenger cars under repair were seen in the repair shop in the former Bergmann armament plant on Wandlitzerchaussee, 2 km northeast of Bernau. The shop was supervised by a lieutenant colonel and several Soviet engineers and employed only German personnel. The gate was guarded by a Soviet sentry and a German industrial policeman. German workers did not know if tanks were repaired in the shop or if stocks of spare parts were stored there. (4)

25X1A 5. On 31 August 1950 the pigeon station was occupied by a motor transport unit commanded by Captain Kuvilayev (fm). (5)

25X1A 6. The houses in the restricted area on Karl Marx Strasse were occupied by officers' dependents. The sentry at the gate to the area wore red-bordered black epalets. Trucks [redacted] were standing on the parking lot. (2)

25X1A 7. The Luftnachrichten Kaserne was occupied by only a rear detail on 23 August 1950. [redacted] (1)

25X1A 8. About 150 Soviet troops were quartered in the pigeon station on 23 August 1950. Trucks in the billeting area were being repaired and put on blocks. [redacted]

25X1 9. On 1 September 1950 the Luftnachrichten Kaserne quartered a rear unit of about 60 men. Groups of soldiers with baggage were repeatedly seen on the way to and from the railroad station. They possibly belonged to rear details which were exchanged with

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details from the troops in the maneuver area. (1) 25X1A

10. About 120 troops and motor vehicles [redacted] 25X1A [redacted] were seen at the pigeon station on 2 September 1950. (3)

25X1A [redacted] Comments.

(1) The information indicates that the elements of the 6th Gds Mecz Div which, 25X1A [redacted] are quartered in the Luftnachrichtenschule, were still in the Templin maneuver area on 2 September 1950.

(2) It is believed from previous information that the Hq 6th Gds Mecz Div is located on Karl Marx Strasse. 25X1A

(3) Blocked-up motor vehicles of the 6th Gds Mecz Div, and transient occupation by recruits were previously observed in the pigeon station. See 25X1A [redacted]

(4) According to previous information a motor vehicle repair shop is in the former Bergmann armament plant. 25X1A [redacted] A previous report stated that a large percentage of the officers and EM from the plant were sent on field exercises to the Elbe River area at the beginning of June 1950.

25X1A [redacted] If that report was correct the personnel presumably belonged to a unit or office other than the repair shop in the former Bergmann plant.

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